

Public Chapter 500

HOUSE BILL NO. 1593

By Representatives McMillan, Fowlkes, Givens, Ridgeway, Kent, Cross, Davidson, Pleasant, Haley, Hargett

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 473

By Senators Haynes, Kurita

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 37-1-131(a)(7), relative to liability for juveniles performing community service work.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 37-1-131(a)(7), is amended by designating the existing language as subdivision (A) and by adding the following new subdivisions:

(B) No charitable organization, municipality, county or political subdivision thereof utilizing juveniles performing community service work pursuant to this chapter shall be liable for any injury sustained by the juvenile or other person, proximately caused by the juvenile, while the juvenile is performing a work project for such organization or governmental entity, if the organization or governmental entity exercised due care in the supervision of the juvenile.

(C) No charitable organization, municipality, county or political subdivision thereof, nor any employee or officer thereof, shall be liable to any person for any act of a juvenile while the juvenile is on a community work project for such organization or governmental entity, if the organization or governmental entity exercised due care in the supervision of the juvenile.

(D) No charitable organization, municipality, county or political subdivision thereof, nor any employee or officer thereof, shall be liable to any juvenile or his or her family for death or injuries received, proximately caused by the juvenile, while the juvenile is on a community work project for such organization or governmental entity, if the organization or governmental entity exercised due care in the supervision of the juvenile.

(E) The authority and protection from liability provided by this section is supplemental and in addition to any other authority and protection provided by law.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.